

REMARKS

In response to the non-final Office Action dated May 25, 2006, the Applicant hereby requests reconsideration of the pending claims in light of the following.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-11 were pending, and are before the Examiner for consideration.

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

In Sections 1 and 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-11 were provisionally rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 6-20 of co-pending Application No. 10/802,212. To overcome this provisional rejection, a terminal disclaimer is enclosed herewith.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

In Section 3 of the Office Action, claims 1, 9, and 10 were objected to because of various informalities. These claims have been amended, as set forth above, to avoid the informalities noted by the Examiner, and for clarity purposes generally. As such, these claims are believed allowable.

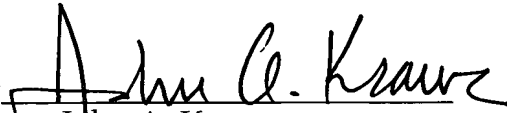
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, a Notice of Allowance as to claims 1-11 is earnestly solicited.

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A payment for the terminal disclaimer is enclosed. Authorization is hereby given to charge any other fees owed to our Deposit account No. 13-0235.

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